

1 we may have found something else to do with the budget,
2 but to show we were doing something, we had to cut some-
3 where. This was, in this fast-growing State of ours, to cut
4 all new positions,

5 This kind of thing is very damaging to the
6 legislature and to the budget, and to the State.

7 It was stated a little before, there may be political things
8 going on in the legislature. The legislature might put
9 in things for political reasons. The legislature is not
10 the only body or only part of our government which works
11 for political reasons. There could easily be political
12 reasons behind the budget as presented by the governor.
13 The legislature should have the right to raise the budget
14 within limitations, within the total allocation. This is
15 not an irresponsible thing. This is the responsible way
16 to handle the problem.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: You have one-half minute, Delegate
18 Grumbacher.

19 DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: Thank you.

20 It gives the legislature the chance to put in
21 items which it thinks are necessary, and gives the
governor the last crack at it.